WEDNESDAY, April 1st, 1874.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Father Winn.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Aydelott, Blake, Brewer, Brattan, Crawford, Claggett, Davis, Denson, Earle, Fields, Getty, Knight, Longwell, Lloyd, Mudd, McCulloh, Phelps, Stevens, Steiner, Spencer, Suit, Williams, Walsh—24.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Phelps, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported favorably

The House bill entitled an Act to repeal section 1 of Article XXVIII. of the Code of Public General Laws, title "County Commissioners," and re-enact the same with amendments.

Which was read the second time.

Also, reported favorably

The House bill entitled an Act to amend the charter of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and for other purposes.

Which was read the second time.

Also, reported favorably

The House bill entitled an Act to authorize the Mayor and Council of Baltimore city, to subscribe to the capital stock of the Maryland Land Company.

Which was read the second time.

Mr. Phelps, from a Select Committee, reported favorably

The House bill entitled an Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Dorchester county, to aid in the construction and completion of the Vienna Rail Road,

With the following amendments:

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

Strike out the word "fifty," in section 1, line 10, and insert "thirty."

Strike out all of section 1, after the word "that," in the 16th line of said section, and insert the following: "One-fourth only of the amount of said bonds shall be issued and